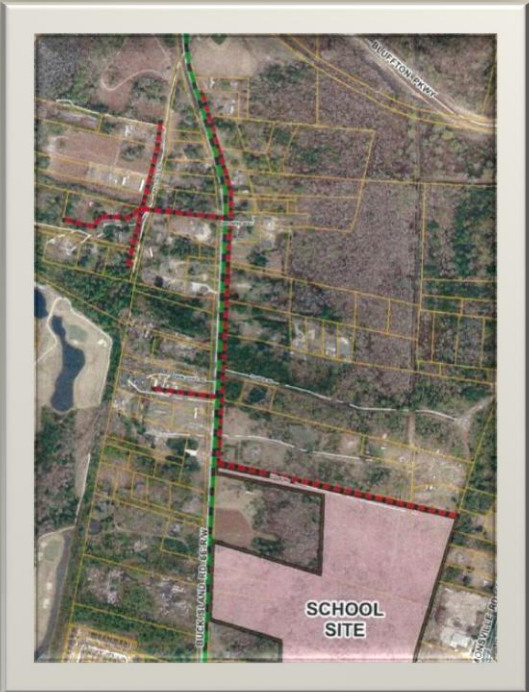




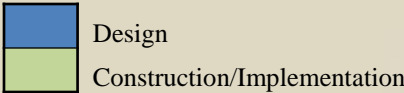
Buck Island – Simmonsville Sewer Phase I



Phase 1 of the Buck Island Simmonsville Sewer Project is the first step in the Town of Bluffton's effort to provide sewer service in the Buck Island Road – Simmonsville Road neighborhood planning area.

This phase of the project will serve homes along Buck Island Road north of Hyon Road as well as adjacent areas such as Ballfield Road, Centerfield Land, and Twin Oaks.

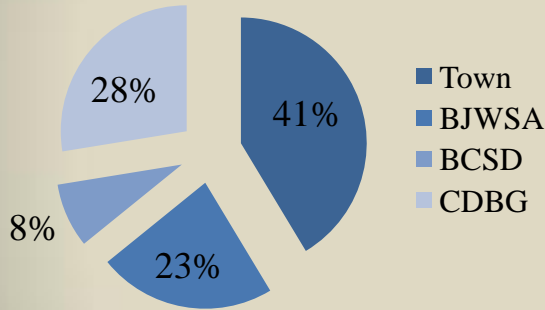
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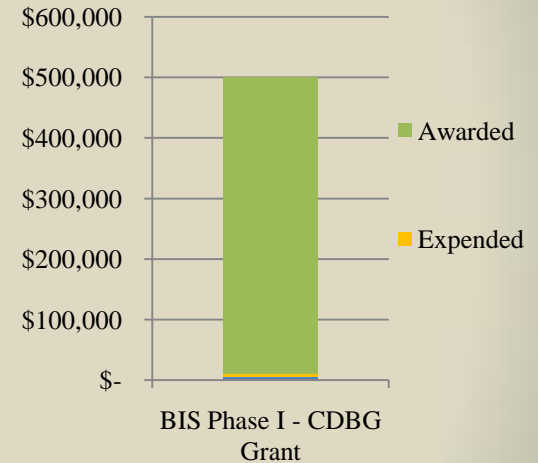
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Financial Partners



The Town of Bluffton was awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$500,000 in July 2008.

The grant award is for a two-year period, and the funding supplements contributions from the Town (\$750,000), the Beaufort County School District (\$150,000), and the Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority (\$400,000+).



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Milestones Completed

- Sewer master plan completed (11/07)
- Grant received (7/08)
- Engineering procurement completed (8/08)
- Surveying completed (10/08)
- Engineering completed (1/09)
- Construction procurement completed (6/09)
- State approval received (9/09)

The installation of sewer is a significant step in improving the living environment because it will eliminate the need for septic tanks in the area served. This project will provide a positive benefit to the people living in the neighborhood as well as the environment in general. The overall investment of over \$1.8 million will help serve 200-300 residents plus it will help provide the infrastructure needed to serve future phases of the sewer project.

Path Forward

- Complete SCDOT requirements
- Complete easement acquisition
- Perform primary infrastructure construction
- Coordinate with school district on system start-up
- Coordinate with homeowners on connection process
- Construct connections for low-to-moderate income households